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Line 2, after "and" insert --are--.

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Line 10, after "or" insert --the--.

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Line 23, after "of" insert --the fact--.

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Line 4, after "invention" insert --preferably--;

Line 6, delete "as well" and insert --. It further preferably--;

Line 7, delete "as" first occurrence.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel original claims 1-5 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter contained therein.

Please add the following new claims:

-- 6. An image processing device for carrying out a dodging treatment, comprising:

A1                      a luminance image signal generator for generating a luminance image signal from input color image signals;

                        a filter for filtering said luminance image signal to generate an unsharp image signal;

a dynamic range compressor for subjecting said unsharp image signal to a dynamic range compression treatment to generate a compressed unsharp image signal for the dodging treatment;

at least one memory for delaying said input color image signals for a time period corresponding to a delay time during which said compressed unsharp image signal for the dodging treatment is generated from said input color image signals;

an adder for subtracting said compressed unsharp image signal for the dodging treatment from each of delayed input color image signals.

7. The device according to claim 6, wherein said filter is an IIR type filter.

8. The device according to claim 6, wherein said at least one memory comprises a plurality of FIFO type field memories disposed in parallel, and image signals are written to one FIFO type field memory and read-out from one other FIFO type field memory, sequentially.

9. The device according to claim 6, further comprising, a main controller for generating signals which control writing to and reading from said at least one memory to control the operation time of said at least one memory in accordance with the delay time of said image signals at said filter.

10. The device according to claim 9, wherein said main controller includes a first counter which counts a number of pixels in horizontal and vertical directions of a reproduced image; a first flip-flop which generates said signals controlling writing during a time period from when said first counter starts counting until the end of counting; a